

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CARLOS LOPEZ,

Movant,

-against-

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

21 Civ. 2698 (PAE)

11 Crim. 1032-15 (PAE)

ORDER TO ANSWER, 28 U.S.C. § 2255

PAUL A. ENGELMAYER, United States District Judge:

On March 18, 2021, Carlos Lopez submitted a § 2255 motion. On April 7, 2021, the Court issued an Order noting that Lopez's § 2255 motion appeared to be time-barred. Dkt. 3. The Court directed Lopez to show cause within 60 days why his § 2255 motion should not be denied as time-barred. On June 14, 2021, having failed to receive any response from Lopez, the Court denies Lopez's § 2255 motion as time-barred. Dkt. 4. On June 28, 2021, the Court received a letter from Lopez explaining why his motion was not time-barred and that that letter had been late due to Covid-19 restrictions in his prison. Dkt. 2622. On July 7, 2021, the Court received a letter from the Government confirming that Lopez's § 2255 motion was not, in fact, time-barred. Dkt. 2624. The Court now thus vacates its denial of the motion, *see* Dkt. 4, and reopens Lopez's § 2255 motion.

The Court, having now concluded that the motion brought under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 should not be summarily dismissed as being without merit, hereby ORDERS that:

The Clerk of Court shall electronically notify the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York that this order has been issued.

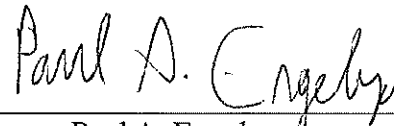
Within 60 days of the date of this order, the U.S. Attorney's Office shall file an answer or other pleadings in response to the motion. Lopez shall have 30 days from the date on which

Lopez is served with the United States' answer to file a response. Absent further order, the motion will be considered fully submitted as of that date.

All further papers filed or submitted for filing must include the criminal docket number and will be docketed in the criminal case.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 12, 2021
New York, New York

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Paul A. Engelmayer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first name "Paul" is written in a larger, more prominent script, followed by "A." and "Engelmayer". The signature is positioned above a horizontal line.

Paul A. Engelmayer
United States District Judge